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For: NOVEL METALLOPROTEASE HAVING AGGRECANASE ACTIVITY

**REQUEST TO USE COMPUTER-READABLE FORM OF SEQUENCE LISTING SUBMITTED  
IN A CO-PENDING PATENT APPLICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e)**

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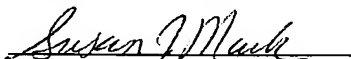
The paper copy of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith in this Divisional Application (application no. unassigned), is identical to the computer readable copy and paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed in the Parent Application on December 10, 2001 (Application No. 10/009,332).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e), Applicants request the use of the computer readable form of the substitute Sequence Listing in the Parent Application, as the computer readable form in the instant application.

It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the instant application.

As indicated above, a paper copy of the Sequence Listing is included herewith.

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